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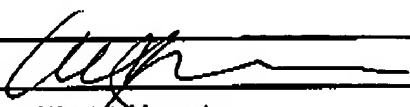
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 20041209), in which the examiner imposed an election of species requirement, applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the species identified in the Office Action as "II. Figures 1b, 2, 3a-d, 4, 10a-b, 10, 24b." The claims believed to be readable on the provisionally elected species are claims 1 through 13, 15 through 20, 23 through 28, 33, 36 through 47, 54, and 56 through 69.

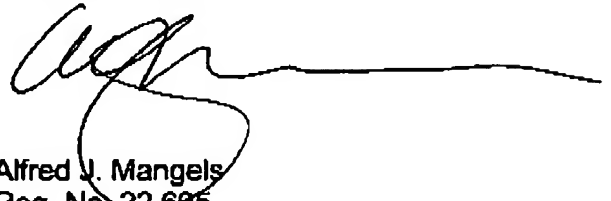
Because independent claim 1 is generic to all the claims in the application, examination of all the claims in the application is deemed to be appropriate.

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Early and favorable action on this application is respectfully requested.

The examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if this Election of Species raises any questions, so that any such question can be quickly resolved in order that examination on the merits in the present application can proceed.

Respectfully submitted,



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